

Atty. Dkt. No. 039743-0113

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Sturm et al.

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FUTURES CONTRACTS

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Examiner:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

[X] The fee required for additional claims is calculated below:

		Claims	Previously		Extra Claims			Additional	
	As	s Amen	ded	Paid For		Present		Rate	Claims Fee
	Total Claims:	62	-	49	=	13	X	\$50.00=	\$650.00
	Independent Claims:	8	-	8	=	0	x	\$200.00=	\$0.00
	First presentation of any Multiple Dependent Claims:+ \$360.00=								\$0.00
						CLAI	MS F	EE TOTAL=	\$650.00
[Statutory Disclaimer Fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.20(d): \$130.00								\$0.00
	CLAIMS, EXTENSION AND DISCLAIMER FEE TOTAL								\$650.00
[] Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):								\$0.00
	TOTAL FEE:								\$650.00

[X] A check in the amount of \$650.00 is enclosed.

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[X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-2350. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2350.

Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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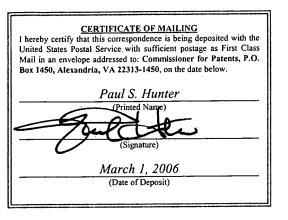
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

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Dear Examiner:

Prior to examination of the present Application, Applicants respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this document.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 18 of this document.

Please amend the application as follows:

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